account for the destruction of statuary not only in this region but in other places also.

Lu Da was also the scene of an alleged encounter with wolves, during the spring of 1937. A farmer working on the mountain side found a young wolf cub, and putting it in his sack brought it home as a pet. That night he was awakened by a pounding on the street gate, and when he rose to see who it was, found two wolves, a male and a female, leaping up at the gate. He realised that they had come to seek their cub, and fearing that they would jump the wall, he climbed to the top of the gate and spoke to them, saying, "Wolves, I know why you have come here, and I confess that I did wrong to steal your child. Now, if you will go off a little way so that I may safely open the gate, I will let your cub go, and you may depart in peace." When the wolves heard this, they drew off some way down the street, but remained in sight, watching. The farmer then let out the wolf cub through a crack of the gate, and the reunited wolf family at once made off to the mountain. This story was generally believed as true in all particulars, and created a great deal of interest in the neighbourhood.

Perhaps because they are not a hunting people animals play rather a small part in Min Chia superstition. It has already been remarked that they do not share the Chinese belief in were-foxes, although they agree with the Chinese in considering it to be unlucky to kill wild geese. Swallows, as with most peoples, are also protected by a similar belief. The Min Chia say that anyone who kills a swallow will go bald. This is curious, as the Min Chia hardly ever suffer from this disfigurement, and in fact have no word for baldness in the language. They have like other peoples a number of superstitions not connected with any definite system of beliefs. For example it is considered unlucky to point at a rainbow. If one wishes to draw the attention of others to a